

City of Hermosa Beach COVID-19 Daily Update 6 p.m. March 26, 2020

Local Updates

- Beach and Strand Closures Begin at 6 a.m. Tomorrow in Hermosa: City Staff placed barricades and signs at entrances to the City and the Strand today to inform the public about the closures of the beach, Strand and Downtown Parking Garage beginning at 6 a.m. Saturday. The City determined these closures are needed to prevent a repetition of last weekend, when groups of people congregated on the beach and Strand. These gatherings increased the risk of spreading the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) because people were unable to maintain the required distance of a least 6 feet from people who are not members of their household. The City is asking for voluntary compliance. Security officers will be posted at several entrance points, and Hermosa Beach Police Department officers will be patrolling the beach and the Strand. Initially, they will be informing the public about the closure but have the ability to issue citations, if needed.
- L.A. County Closes Beaches and Trails County-wide: L.A. County closed its beaches, public trails, beach bike paths and beach access points across the County beginning at noon today. The County's New Public Health Order closed beaches in Hermosa Beach's neighboring communities of Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach and El Segundo.
 Manhattan Beach also announced the closure of its Strand and bike paths and Redondo Beach has closed its bike paths, esplanade and other access points to its beach as well.
- Hospital Ship Arrives at Port of Los Angeles: The <u>USNS Mercy</u> hospital ship arrived today at <u>the Port of Los Angeles</u>. It will provide more than 1,000 additional hospital beds for patients who don't have COVID-19. The <u>Port of Los Angeles</u> shared a video of the arrival.
- L.A. County Offers Mental Health Resources: Los Angeles County issued a Press Release emphasizing the importance of mental health and providing resources and support for Los Angeles residents as they follow the County's Safer at Home order during the COVID-19 pandemic. With neighbors looking out for each other and the community coming together, we hope that everyone can find hope and help if they need it. If the news surrounding #COVID19 is making you or someone you know feel stressed, anxious, or depressed, call Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health 24/7 hotline at 800-854-7771 or text "LA" to 741741 to get help.
- Beach Cities Social Campaign: Local Beach Cities and Beach Cities
 Health District (BCHD) have come together to encourage
 residents to promote being Safer at Home on social media during
 the COVID-19 pandemic. Please visit this <u>Facebook Link</u> to get the

BCHD photo frame, which is pictured to the right, to use with your Facebook profile picture.

State & Federal Updates

- President Signs \$2 Trillion COVID-19 Relief Package into Law: The U.S. House of Representatives approved and President Trump signed the bipartisan \$2 Trillion Economic Stimulus Package. The legislation is designed to help ease the financial burden of the COVID-19 pandemic and provide relief for American workers and businesses, and includes direct payments of \$1,200 to most individuals making up to \$75,000, or \$2,400 for couples making up to \$150,000, suspends student loan payments, delays the Real ID deadline, expands unemployment benefits and small business loans and provides aid for local governments and industries affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information about the Stimulus Package and how it will affect you, please see this Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act Q&A.
- President Trump Invokes Defense Production Act: President Trump invoked the
 Defense Production Act today to require General Motors to manufacture more
 ventilators to help hospitals more effectively fight the coronavirus pandemic. For more
 information, please see the White House's Memorandum on Order Under the Defense
 Production Act Regarding General Motors Company.

Latest Facts & Figures

Area	Reported COVID-19	Reported Deaths Attributed to	Source
	Diagnoses	COVID-19	
United States	85,356	1,246	https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-
			<u>in-us.html</u>
California	3,801	78	https://covid19.ca.gov/
(as of 3/25)			
LA County	1,465	26	http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coron
			avirus/

Information Sources

The City has limited public access to City Offices and the Community Center. It also has canceled major events and most City-sponsored programs.

Please sign up for Hermosa Beach <u>eNotifications</u>, <u>public safety alerts</u> or follow the City on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

City of Hermosa Beach	https://www.hermosabeach.gov/
City of Hermosa Beach Coronavirus Updates	https://www.hermosabeach.gov/coronavirus
Hermosa Beach Chamber of Commerce	https://www.hbchamber.net/
Hermosa Beach City School District	https://www.hbcsd.org/
LA County Department of Health	www.cdph.ca.gov
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	www.cdc.gov
LA County Fire Department	https://www.fire.lacounty.gov/
LA County Health and Human Services	Call 2-1-1

Beach Cities Health District	Call 310-374-3426, ext. 256
	https://www.bchd.org/coronavirus